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Atty. Dkt. No. 030481-0183

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Dan AKERFELDT et al
Title: A TOOL, A SEALING
DEVICE, A SYSTEM AND
A METHOD FOR CLOSING
A WOUND
Appl. No.: 10/018,137
Appl. Filing Date: 03/20/2002
Examiner: P. Roberts
Art Unit: 3731

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop RCE
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. § 141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. § 145 or § 146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114: (check items that apply)

a. Previously submitted:

☐ Please enter and consider the amendment/reply previously filed on ____.

☐ Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on ____ but not considered.

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☐ Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on ____.

☐ Other ____.

b. Enclosed are:

☒ Amendment/Reply.

☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).

☐ Information Disclosure Statement.

☐ Form PTO-1449 with copies of ____ listed reference(s).

☐ Other .

Miscellaneous:

☐ Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of ____ months.

The filing fee is calculated below:

| | Claims as Amended | Previously Paid For | Extra Claims Present | Rate | Fee Totals |
|--|-------------------|---------------------|----------------------|------------|------------|
| RCE Fee 1.17(e): | | | | \$770.00 | = \$770.00 |
| Total Claims: | 22 | - 24 | = 0 | x \$18.00 | = \$0.00 |
| Independents | 6 | - 6 | = 0 | x \$86.00 | = \$0.00 |
| First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims: | | | | + \$290.00 | = \$0.00 |
| CLAIMS FEE TOTAL: | | | | | = \$770.00 |

☐ Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

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| | EXTENSION FEE ALREADY PAID: - | | | \$0.00 |
| | EXTENSION FEE TOTAL | | | \$0.00 |
| | CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL: | | | \$770.00 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above): | | | \$385.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) | | | \$0.00 |
| | TOTAL FEE: | | | \$385.00 |

☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0741 in the amount of \$385.00. A duplicate copy of this transmittal is enclosed.

☒ A check in the amount of \$385.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

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AMENDMENT AND REPLY FILED WITH RCE

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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Final Office Action dated April 28, 2004, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

Please amend the application as follows: